WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Agro-Based Industries in Assam

1810. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the type of Agro-based industries visualised in the North-Eastern states including Assam;

(b) how many of these industries have been established in these States including Assam; and

(c) the amount invested by the Central Government in these States, industry-wise?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA): (a) Agro-based industries visualized in the North-Eastern states including Assam are Bee-keeping, Village Oil, Gur & Khandsari, Pulses & Cereals, Processing Industry, Forest Plants, Fruits Processing, Fibre, Cane & Bamboo, Ghani Oil etc.

(b) The number of industries taken up under the Rural Employment Generation Programme by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) during the last three years in the North Eastern States including Assam, is given below:—

States	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
1. Arunachal Pradesh	98	07	202
2. Assam	35	46	120
3. Manipur	193	50	359
4. Meghalaya	63	1875	623
5. Mizoram	243	176	302
6. Nagaland	40	309	4119
7. Sikkim	06	01	03
8. Tripura	—	01	20

(c) The industry-wise disbursement is not maintained centrally.